

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1270 - SB 1372

February 27, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Expands the list of “crimes” for which victims are immune from civil liability when testifying against an offender at a parole hearing to include victims of domestic assault; vandalism and false imprisonment when the victim is a domestic abuse victim; a violation of an order of protection or restraining order; and stalking.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The bill expands the definition of “crime” under title 40, chapter 38, part 3, which codifies Article I, § 35 of the Tennessee Constitution relative to victim’s rights.
- The Board of Parole and the Department of Correction confirm that the bill will not significantly impact their operations so as to require any additional appropriations.
- Any impact on the courts’ caseloads would be a reduction in cases. It is assumed that any impact to their caseloads will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeffrey L. Spalding".

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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